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| S3  | 4025060 | SEARCH  |
| S4  | 802     | ((UNDERWRIT??? (3N) (LOANS OR ASSETS)) AND ((CLUSTER??? OR -<br>GROUP???) (3N) (LOANS OR ASSETS)) |
| S5  | 1814    | ((ASSIGN??? OR EVALUAT???) (5N) VALUE) (5N) (LOANS OR ASS-<br>ETS)                                |
| S6  | 20      | S4 AND S5   |
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... pp. A17-19 are  
 adjusted to remove the estimated effects of mergers between these two  
 groups . The adjustment for mergers changes past levels to make them  
 comparable with current levels. Estimated...

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|----------------|----|----|----|----|
| 50             | 50 | 50 |    |    |
| 15 Short sales |    | 55 | 65 | 50 |

(1.) In July 1976 a financial group , composed of banks and insurance  
 companies, was added to the group of stocks on which...converted.

(8.) Includes participation loans as well as whole loans.

(9.) Includes conventional and government- underwritten loans . The  
 Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation's mortgage commitments and  
 mortgage transactions include activity under...

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|     |                 |      |      |      |      |
|-----|-----------------|------|------|------|------|
| ... | industries (14) | 6.93 | 6.73 | 6.93 | 6.88 |
|-----|-----------------|------|------|------|------|

|              |                 |       |      |         |             |
|--------------|-----------------|-------|------|---------|-------------|
| Rating group |                 |       |      |         |             |
| 28           | Aaa (15)        | 6 .37 | 6.15 | 6.15    | 6.32        |
| 29           | Aa              | 6.84  | 6.63 | 6.63... | issues, all |
|              | industries (14) | 7.00  | 6.93 | 6.81    |             |

|              |                                   |       |      |      |
|--------------|-----------------------------------|-------|------|------|
| Rating group |                                   |       |      |      |
| 28           | Aaa (15)                          | 6 .39 | 6.32 | 6.22 |
| 29           | Aa                                | 6.78  | 6.72 | 6.64 |
| 30           | A...loans as well as whole loans. |       |      |      |

(9.) Includes conventional and government-underwritten loans. The  
 Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation's mortgage commitments and  
 mortgage transactions include activity under mortgage securities  
 swap programs...

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... 50  
15 Short sales 65 50

(1.) In July 1976 a financial group, composed of banks and insurance companies, was added to the group of stocks on which the index is... share issue of conversions from one fund to another in the same group.

(3.) Excludes sales and redemptions resulting from transfers of shares into or out of money market mutual funds... participation loans as well as whole loans.

(9.) Includes conventional and government-underwritten loans. The Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation's mortgage commitments and mortgage transactions include activity under mortgage securities swap...

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... of conversions from one fund to another in the same group.

(3.) Excludes sales and redemptions resulting from transfers of shares into or out of money market mutual funds within the... as well as whole loans.

(9.) Includes conventional and government-underwritten loans. The Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation's mortgage commitments and mortgage transactions include activity under mortgage securities swap programs, whereas...

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ISSN: 0014-9209      LANGUAGE: English      RECORD TYPE: Fulltext  
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...      distributions and share issue of conversions from one fund  
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) Excludes sales and redemptions resulting from transfers of shares  
into or out of money market...  
Includes participation loans as well as whole loans.

(9.) Includes conventional and government-underwritten loans.  
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and mortgage transactions include activity under mortgage  
securities...

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**CROSS CORRELATION TOOL FOR AUTOMATED PORTFOLIO DESCRIPTIVE STATISTICS**  
**OUTIL DE CORRELATION CROISEE POUR STATISTIQUES DESCRIPTIVES AUTOMATISEES**  
**CONCERNANT DES PORTEFEUILLES**

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Detailed Description

... the seller of assets wants to optimize the value of the portfolio, and will sometimes group the assets in "tranches." The term "tranche" as used herein is not limited to foreign notes but...

...the time for submitting a bid is about to expire, the bidder will evaluate the assets underwritten at that time, and then attempt to extrapolate a value to the assets that have...data reduction are used in valuing the third portion.

As the process proceeds and more assets are underwritten, the number of assets with values established in the first and second portions increase and the number of assets...

...more and more defined. More specifically, the assets in the third portion are evaluated by grouping the assets into clusters having probability of value based on similarity to valuations of assets in the first and...

...of occurrence for levels or bins of individual attribute variables and pairs of attribute variables, grouping the assets according to the value of a response variable or frequency of occurrence of the individual...

...I is a diagram 10 illustrating a known process for valuing a large portfolio of assets 12 through an underwriting cycle and through to making a bid for purchasing asset portfolio 12, for example, in...

...an underwritten first portion 16 and an untouched remainder portion 18. Before any of the assets are underwritten, first portion 16 is zero percent and remainder portion 18 is one hundred percent of...

...process progresses, first portion 16 increases and remainder portion 18 decreases. The objective is to underwrite as many assets as possible before a bid is submitted for the purchase of asset portfolio. The team...

...tranches for bidding purposes (as described below.) As in diagram 10, underwriters begin a full underwrite 14 of individual assets in portfolio 12 to produce a fully underwritten first portion 16 of assets. Underwriters also underwrite 34 a sample of assets in a second portion 36 of portfolio 12, and a...so well known or so reliable that the assets can be quickly and reliably fully underwritten or the assets are marked to market such that there is very little variance associated with the value...

...into any full sampling group valuation 18 required for bidding as suggested by the grouping of assets in a tranche.

The number of assets in an underwriting sample grouping can be as little as one to any number of assets. Partial sampling...on an ongoing, real time basis. Supervised learning process 206 uses business rules to identify clusters of assets having common aspects for valuation purposes.

Unsupervised learning process 208 uses feedback from prior data...of



statistically inferred valuation 142 by correlating to established criteria 80 in database 76 on assets in fully underwritten first portion 16 and assets in sample underwritten second portion 36. Selected data 78 related to one or more assets in third portion...

...selectable by the analysts conducting the evaluation and is further described below. If the seller groups the assets, then grouping according to seller groups or tranches is easily made and an appropriate valuation 146 developed...the best method has been employed.

In order to provide the best forecast of asset value, assets are evaluated by each method within a food chain until such time as they are valued by...not homogeneous, a method to establish the variability of cash flow recoveries is provided. Individual assets are clustered by group exposure. As much llllce value as possible is traditionally underwritten in the time permitted, recognizing...the encoded asset attributes in such a way so as to segment the portfolio into groups of similar assets. One such algorithm is K-means clustering.

In an example, where three asset attributes, Unpaid...sample size is derived.

Table B provides an example output from a study of a group of 20 loans, with estimated (expected) recoveries between 201/o and 30% of UPB, and a range of...flow diagram illustrating a process 2 1 0 for automated underwriting of segmentable financial instrument assets. First clusters of financial instruments are defined 212 by common attributes. An expert opinion 214 of value...

...selects and sets 220 the individual attributes to be used and then classifies 222 individual assets into clusters. Cluster valuation is applied 224 to each cluster asset. Using the cluster valuation, the values are...

...is then supplied to the individual asset values in credit analyst table 136 for the assets from the clusters being adjusted in procedure 40 to produce adjusted credit analyst table 140. The process is...

...underwriting, partial underwriting and inferred valuation. First, assets are sampled 242 according to risk. Second, assets are underwritten 244, and valuations recorded. Third, market value clusters are formed 246, such as by FCM, as described below. Fourth, regression models are built 248, for the underwritten assets.

A best model is selected 250, for the underwritten assets from among those built 248 earlier. Sixth, the counts for the selected models are calculated...

...a manner weighted by the counts to predict individual values for each of the non- underwritten assets. The individual asset values produced according to process 240 are then placed in adjusted credit analyst table 140 (see Figure 3).

In sampling assets 242, underwriters use stratified random sampling to select assets for detailed review. Strata are constructed from collateral ...

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underwritten valuations are stored in a master database table, such as database 76 (shown in Figure...

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Claim

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for levels or bins of individual attribute variables and pairs of attribute variables;

grouping the assets according to the value of a response variable or frequency of occurrence of the individual...

...x2 are continuous variables.

. A method (32) according to Claim 1 wherein said step of

grouping the assets further comprises the step of computing an average for a response variable for all combinations...of occurrence for levels or bins of individual attribute variables and pairs of attribute variables;

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**METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR SIMULATING COMPETITIVE BIDDING YIELD**

**PROCEDES ET APPAREIL DE SIMULATION DU RENDEMENT D'OFFRES CONCURRENTIELLES**

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**METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR RAPID DEPLOYMENT OF A VALUATION SYSTEM**

**PROCEDES ET DISPOSITIF POUR LE DEPLOIEMENT RAPIDE D'UN SYSTEME D'EVALUATION**

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Supervised teaming process 206 uses business rules to identify clusters of assets having common aspects for valuation purposes. Unsupervised teaming process 208 uses feedback from prior data...

Claim

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valuation 146 developed...the best method has been employed. In order to provide the best forecast of asset value, assets are evaluated by each method within a food chain until such time as they are valued by... not homogeneous, a method to establish the variability of cash flow recoveries is provided. Individual assets are clustered by group exposure. As much face value as possible is traditionally underwritten in the to time permitted...the encoded asset attributes in such a way so as to segment the portfolio into groups of similar assets. One such algorithm is K-means clustering. In an example, where three asset attributes, Unpaid...sample size is derived.' Table B provides an example output from a study of a group of 20 loans, with estimated (expected) recoveries between 20% and 30% of UPB, and a range of UPB...is a flow diagram illustrating a process 210 for automated underwriting of segmentable financial instrument assets. First clusters of financial instruments are defined 212 by common attributes. An expert opinion 214 of value...

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**VALUATION PREDICTION MODELS IN SITUATIONS WITH MISSING INPUTS**  
**MODELES DE PREVISION D'EVALUATION DANS DES SITUATIONS AVEC ENTREES**  
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of assets in the first and second portions increase and the number of  
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portion are evaluated by grouping the assets into clusters based on  
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A method for predicting value of non- underwritten assets for which  
data representations are partial or incomplete by projecting values onto



the nonunderwritten assets from at least one of fully underwritten assets , other nonunderwritten assets with complete data representations and available data from nonunderwritten assets with partial or incomplete data representations having similar identifiable characteristics is disclosed. The method includes the steps of sampling assets according to risk, underwriting assets and recording valuations, forming market value clusters, building regression models for underwritten assets , selecting the best models for the underwritten assets , counting a number of times the models are selected and using the selected model to make a prediction of underwriting value for the non- underwritten assets .

#### BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

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Claim

1 . A method (240) for predicting value of non- underwritten assets for which data representations are partial or incomplete by projecting values onto the non- underwritten assets from at least one of fully underwritten assets , other nonunderwritten assets with complete data representations and available data from nonunderwritten assets with partial or incomplete data representations having similar identifiable characteristics, said method comprising the steps of sampling (242) assets according to risk; underwriting (244) assets and recording valuations; forming (246) market value clusters; building (248) regression models for underwritten assets ; selecting (250) the best models for the underwritten assets ; counting (252) a number of times the models are selected; and using (254) the selected model to make a prediction of underwriting value for the non- underwritten assets .

1 5 2. A method (240) according to Claim 1 wherein said step of sampling...

...previous appraisal amount.

3 A method (240) according to Claim I wherein said step of underwriting (244) assets and recording valuations further comprises the step of storing valuations in a master database (76...

...and regression tree analysis using previous appraisal amount as a driving variable, resulting in a grouping of assets according to collateral usage and market value groups.

5 A method (240) according to Claim I wherein said step of building (248) regression models for underwritten assets further comprises the step of building models which use as variables different groupings of data...

...according to Claim 5 wherein said step of selecting (250) the best models for the underwritten assets further comprises the step of selecting models according to  $\min \text{fabs}(y - @, )$ , jE9'j, where y...

...of counting a number of times each model produced a best prediction for 1 5 underwriting of assets .

8 A method (240) according to Claim I wherein said step of using the selected (250) model to make a prediction of underwriting value for the non- underwritten assets further comprises the step of predicting underwriting value according to E IlkfljJlk i,j,k...substituting a corresponding statistic for @Ik

11 A system (300) for predicting value of non- underwritten assets for which data representations are partial or incomplete by projecting values onto the non- underwritten assets from at least one of fully underwritten assets , other nonunderwritten assets with complete data representations and available data from nonunderwritten assets with partial or incomplete data...

...client system connected to said server through a network, said server configured to sample (242) assets according to risk, underwrite (244) assets and record valuations, form (246) market value clusters, build (248) regression models for underwritten assets , select (250) the best models for the underwritten assets , count (252)

a number of times the models are selected and use (254) the selected model to make a prediction of underwriting value for the non-underwritten assets ,

12 A system (300) according to Claim I 1 wherein said server (302) configured to...

...regression tree analysis using a previous appraisal amount as a driving variable, resulting in a grouping of assets according to collateral usage and market value groups.

15 A system (300) according to Claim...

...configured to count (252) a number of times each model produced a best prediction for underwriting of assets .

1 5 18. A system (300) according to Claim I I wherein said server (302)...assets for which data representations are partial or incomplete by projecting values onto the non- underwritten assets from at least one of fully underwritten assets , other non- underwritten assets with complete data representations and available data from non- underwritten assets with partial or incomplete data representations having similar identifiable characteristics, said computer including a database (76) of asset portfolios (12), said computer programmed to: sample assets according to risk; underwrite assets and record valuations; form market value clusters; build regression models for underwritten assets ; select the best models for the underwritten assets ; count a number of times the models are selected; and use the selected model to make a prediction of underwriting value for the non- underwritten assets .

22 A computer (38) according to Claim 21 programmed to select assets from a list...

...regression tree analysis using a previous appraisal amount as a driving variable, resulting in a grouping of assets according to collateral usage and market value groups.

25 A computer (38) according to Claim...

...programmed to count (252) a number of times each model produced a best prediction for underwriting of assets .

28 A computer (38) according to Claim 21 programmed to predict underwriting value according to...

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**METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR EFFICIENTLY SAMPLING PORTFOLIOS FOR OPTIMAL UNDERWRITING**

**PROCEDES ET SYSTEMES D'ECHANTILLONNAGE EFFICACE DE PORTEFEUILLES EN VUE D'UNE GARANTIE OPTIMALE**

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#### Claim

... in an asset portfolio (12) for optimal underwriting coverage when only a portion of the assets are to be underwritten, said method comprising the steps of determining descriptive attributes of assets in the portfolio; encoding individual attributes; and clustering (120) the assets for underwriting based upon occurrences of the descriptive attributes.

2 A method (32) according to Claim I...

...total recoveries probable further comprises the step of determining a sample size, n, for the cluster (120) of assets according to:

$$N - 2 N$$
$$h_2; = k' x n I - n X Y X I (Y_i - k y x$$
$$N \dots$$

...with probability> I

6 A method (32) according to Claim 1 wherein said step of

clustering (120) the assets for underwriting further comprises the step of using a supervised clustering process (206) to cluster the assets .

. A method (32) according to Claim I wherein said step of clustering (120) the assets for underwriting further comprises the step of using an unsupervised clustering process (208) to cluster the assets .

8 A method (32) according to Claim 1 wherein said step of clustering (120) the assets for underwriting further comprises the step of using a Monte Carlo process to cluster the assets .

9 A system (300) configured to sample assets in an asset portfolio (12) for optimal individual attributes; and

15 cluster (120) the assets for underwriting based upon occurrences of the descriptive attributes.

10 A system (300) according to Claim 9...

...I I wherein' said server

(302) configured to determine a sample size,  $n$ , for the cluster of assets according to:

2  $N$

$x, 2$

$n(y_j - R_x)$

$=k$

$I N I n X_i ]^2 \dots$

...Claim 9 wherein said server (302)

configured to use a supervised clustering process (206) to cluster (120) the assets .

15 A system (300) according to Claim 9 wherein said server (302) configured to use an unsupervised clustering process (208) to cluster (120) the assets .

16 A system (300) according to Claim 9 wherein said server (302) configured to use a Monte Carlo process to cluster (120) the assets .

17 A computer (38) for sampling assets in an asset portfolio (12) for optimal underwriting...

...programm ed to:

determine descriptive attributes of assets in the portfolio;

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18 A computer (38) according to Claim' 17...

...38) according to Claim 19 programmed to

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$N$

$EX_i Y$

$n(y_i$

$RX_i)^2$

$h = k'x_{iz} 1-- X$

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**METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR FINDING VALUE AND REDUCING RISK**

**PROCEDES ET SYSTEMES PERMETTANT DE RECHERCHER UNE VALEUR ET DE REDUIRE LES RISQUES**

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Claim

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4 A method (32) according to Claim 1 wherein said step of recalculating asset value further comprises the step of fully underwriting (I 4) assets to determine asset value.

1 5 5. A method according to Claim 4 wherein said step of fully underwriting (14) assets further comprises the steps of underwriting a number of the assets on a full cash...

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16 A system (300) according to Claim 15 wherein said server...to determine asset value.

25 A computer (38) according to Claim 23 programmed to partially underwrite (34) assets to determine asset value.

26 A computer (38) according to Claim 23 programmed to fully...

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A method for the automated underwriting of the segmented assets .

using a portfolio valuation system is disclosed and includes the steps of defining 2clusters of...

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#### Claim

... A method (210) according to Claim 2 further comprising the step of classifying (222) individual assets into clusters .

4 A method (2 1 0) according to Claim 3 further comprising the step of...

...clusters of financial instruments b common attributes further

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comprises the step of identifying clusters of assets with common characteristics using business rules.

8 A method(210) according to Claim 1 wherein said step of receiving an expert opinion (214) of value further comprises the step of evaluating the assets by computer (38) with the assistance from an experienced underwriter.

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19 A computer (38) according to Claim 18 programmed to classify (222) individual assets into clusters .

20 A computer (38) according to Claim 19 programmed to apply (224) a cluster valuation...

...least one asset class.

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**METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR QUANTIFYING CASH FLOW RECOVERY AND RISK  
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**RAPID VALUATION OF PORTFOLIOS OF ASSETS SUCH AS FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS  
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#### Claim

... 106) comprises the steps of  
sampling one hundred percent (1 1 0) of a sample group of assets ;  
underwriting in full (14) a portion of the sampling group of assets  
based on a determined commonality within the sampling group.

7 A method (32) according to...learning process further comprises the steps of  
segmenting and classifying assets; and  
objectively evaluating the assets based upon underwriting or other valuation data feedback.

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. A method (32) according to Claim 9 wherein said...

...according to Claim 13 further comprising the steps of:  
dividing the second category (50) of assets into clusters (52, 54);  
and  
dividing the clusters into sub-clusters (56, 58, 60, 62, 64).

15...said server

(302) is configured to:  
sample one hundred percent (1 10) of a sample group of assets ;  
underwrite in full a portion of the sampling group of assets based  
on a  
determined commonality within the sampling group.

22 A system (300) according to...

...27 A system (300) according to Claim 24 wherein said server  
(302) is configured to cluster assets using fuzzy-C means clustering  
(FCM) and a composite High/Expected/Low/Timing/Risk (HELTR...

...Claim 28 wherein said server  
(302) is configured to:  
divide the second category (50) of assets into clusters (52, 54); and  
divide the clusters into sub-clusters (56, 58, 60, 62, 64).

30...according to Claim 35 programmed to:  
sample one hundred percent (I 10) of a sample group of assets ;  
underwrite in full (14) a portion of the sampling group of assets  
based  
on a detennined commonality within the sampling group.

37 A computer (38) according to...upon data feedback.

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. A computer (3 8) according to Claim 3 9 programmed to cluster assets using fuzzy-C means clustering (FCM) and a composite I-Egh/Expected/Low/Timing/Risk...

...A computer (38) according to Claim 43 programmed to:  
divide the second category (50) of assets into clusters (52, 54); and  
divide the clusters into sub-clusters (56, 58, 60, 62, 64).

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**METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR OPTIMIZING RETURN AND PRESENT VALUE**

**PROCEDES ET SYSTEMES D'OPTIMISATION DU RENDEMENT ET DE LA VALEUR ACTUELLE**

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Detailed Description

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... the seller of assets wants to optimize the value of the portfolio, and  
will sometimes group the assets in "tranches." The term "tranche" as  
used herein is not limited to foreign notes but...

...the time for submitting a bid is about to expire, the bidder will  
evaluate the loans underwritten at that time, and then attempt to  
extrapolate a value to the loans that have...data reduction are used in  
valuing the third portion.

As the process proceeds and more assets are underwritten, the

number of assets in the first and second portions increase and the number of assets in the third...

...more and more defined. More specifically, the assets in the third portion are evaluated by grouping the assets into clusters based on similarity

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to valuations of assets in the first and...I is a diagram 10 illustrating a known process for valuing a

large portfolio of assets 12 through an underwriting cycle and through to making a bid for purchasing asset portfolio 12, for example, in...

...an underwritten first portion 16 and an untouched remainder portion 18. Before any of the assets are underwritten, first portion 16 is zero percent and remainder portion 18 is one hundred percent of...

...process progresses, first portion 16 increases and remainder portion 18 decreases. The objective is to underwrite as many assets as possible before a bid is submitted for the purchase of asset portfolio. The team

...

...tranches for bidding purposes (as described below.) As in diagram 10, underwriters begin a full underwrite 14 of individual assets in portfolio 12 to produce a fully underwritten first portion 16 of assets

Underwriters also underwrite 34 a sample of assets in a second portion 36 of portfolio 12, and a...so well known or so reliable that the assets can be quickly and reliably fully underwritten or the assets are marked to market such that there is very little variance associated with the value bidding as suggested by the grouping of assets in a tranche. The number of assets in an underwriting sample grouping can be as little as one to any number of assets.

Partial sampling...

...on an ongoing, real time basis.

Supervised learning process 206 uses business rules to identify clusters of assets having common aspects for valuation purposes. Unsupervised learning process 208 uses feedback from prior data...of statistically inferred valuation 142 by correlating to established criteria 80 in database 76 on assets in fully underwritten first portion 16 and assets in sample underwritten second portion 36. Selected data 78 related to one or more assets in third portion...

...selectable by the analysts conducting the evaluation and is further described below. If the seller groups the assets, then grouping according to seller groups or tranches is easily made and an appropriate valuation 146 developed...the best method has been employed.

In order to provide the best forecast of asset value, assets are evaluated by each method within a food chain until such time as they are valued by...not homogeneous, a method to establish the variability of cash flow recoveries is provided. Individual assets are clustered by group exposure. As much face value as possible is traditionally underwritten in the time permitted, recognizing...the encoded asset attributes in such a way so as to segment the portfolio into groups of similar assets. One such algorithm is Kmeans clustering. In an example, where three asset attributes, Unpaid Principal



...sample size is derived.

Table B provides an example output from a study of a group of 20 loans, with estimated (expected) recoveries between 20% and 30% of UPB, and a range of LTPB...is a flow diagram illustrating a process 210 for automated underwriting of segmentable financial instrument assets. First clusters of financial instruments are defined 212 by common attributes. An expert opinion 214 of value...

...selects and sets 220 the individual attributes to be used and then classifies 222 individual assets into clusters. Cluster valuation is applied 224 to each cluster asset. Using the cluster valuation, the values are...

...is then supplied to the individual asset values in credit analyst table 136 for the assets from the clusters being adjusted in procedure 40 to produce adjusted credit analyst table 140. The process is...partial underwriting and infer-red valuation. First, assets are sampled 242 according to risk. Second, assets are underwritten 244, and valuations recorded. Third, market value clusters are formed 246, such as by FCM, as described below. Fourth, regression models are built 248, for the underwritten assets. A best model is selected 250, for the underwritten assets from among those built 248 earlier. Sixth, the counts for the selected models are calculated...

...240 are then placed in adjusted credit analyst table 140 (see Figure 3). In sampling assets 242, underwriters use stratified random sampling to select assets for detailed review. Strata are constructed from collateral...

...a largely manual process in which expert underwriters ascribe a notion of worth to collateral assets. The underwritten valuations are stored in a master database table, such as database 76 (shown in Figure...

...an analysis using a Classification And Regression Tree ("CART") based model, which results in a grouping of UW assets by Collateral Usage and Market Value ("CUMW") groups, using Previous Appraisal Amount ("PAA") as, the...shown in Figure 3) performs this process. Model building 248 is used to assist the underwriter in prioritizing assets for full underwriting 14 and sample-based underwriting 34, as well as for inferential valuation.

The lower portion...behavior. Unsupervised learning step 208, employs a fuzzy clustering method ("FCM") and knowledge engineering to group assets automatically for valuation. FCM is a known method that has been widely used and applied...one exemplary embodiment 25% of the assets and 60% of the face value of all assets. Full underwriting of these assets is warranted due to their size and value. However, this underwriting is fairly uniform for...

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**METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR AUTOMATED INFERRED VALUATION OF CREDIT SCORING**  
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...and then use business judgment to make an inference as to the valuation  
of the assets not specifically underwritten. Given the lack of  
granularity on this inference, valuations are typically ascribed low  
values or...data reduction are used in valuing the third portion.

As the process proceeds and more assets are underwritten, the number  
of assets in the first and second portions increase and the number of  
assets in the third...

...more and more defined. More specifically, the assets in the third  
portion are evaluated by grouping the assets into clusters having  
probability of value based on similarity to valuations of assets in the  
first and...computer network schematic.

1 5 DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

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...underwriting, partial underwriting and inferred valuation. First, assets are sampled 242 according to risk. Second, assets are underwritten 244, and valuations recorded. Third, market value clusters are formed 246, such as by FCM, as described below. Fourth, regression models are built 248, for the underwritten assets .

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...a manner weighted by the counts to predict individual values for , each of the non- underwritten assets . The individual asset values produced according to process 240 are then placed in adjusted credit analyst table 140 (see Figure 3).

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#### Claim

... ther comprising the steps of- inputting clusters into the table, where clusters are defined as groups of assets that are characterized and segmented by their descriptive attributes;  
inputting individual cluster recovery and credit...configured to:  
upload and store clusters within the table (136), where clusters are defined as groups of assets that are characterized and segmented by their descriptive attributes;  
upload and store individual cluster recovery...programmed to:  
upload and store clusters within the table (136), where clusters are defined as groups of assets that are characterized and segmented by their descriptive

attributes;  
upload and store individual cluster recovery...  
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